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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
ARNOLD E. GOLDMAN, K. JUERGEN FLAMM, JOHN G. MARK & IKE SONG)
Serial No. 09/917,578) Art Unit 2873
Filed: 28 July 2001)
For: SLEEVE FOR PIG-TAILING OPTICAL FIBER) Examiner Omar Z. Hindi

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The amendment fee is calculated as follows:

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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

The amendments, contained in the Versions *WITH* and *WITHOUT* Markings enclosed herewith, and below remarks are submitted in response to the PTO communication mailed 13 March 2002.

REMARKS

Although paragraph 3 of the PTO communication states that "claims 2-21 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form ...", claims 11 and 17 are already independent and,

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